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- ___ Applicant(s) claim(s) small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27.
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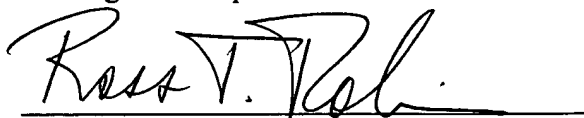
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